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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Applicant: Graser Docket No.: RO999-122
Serial No.: 09/479,363 Group Art Unit: 2172
Filed: 01/07/00 Examiner: Ly, Anh

TITLE: OBJECT ORIENTED APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING CONTEXT-BASED CLASS REPLACEMENT IN AN OBJECT ORIENTED SYSTEM

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In response to the office action dated 09/24/02, applicant hereby requests reconsideration of the Examiner's rejection of claims 1-19.

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-19 were originally filed in this patent application. In the first office action dated 04/26/02, all claims were rejected. In response, applicant filed a Request for Reconsideration on 07/13/02. In the pending office action, claims 1-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,437,025 to Bale *et al.* (hereinafter "Bale") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,343,287 to Kumar *et al.* (hereinafter "Kumar"). No claim was allowed. No claim has been amended. Claims 1-19 as originally filed are currently pending.